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After One Year of War-General

There could be no better text for retrospection of the first year of our war with Germany, with its fine achievements and grievous disappointments, than was afforded by Major-General LEONARD Wood in a speech in this town on the eve of the anniversary. The loyalty, the candor, the professional common sense of this distinguished soldier appear alike in his recognition of the enemy's prowess and in his same advice to Americans to cherish no illusions about the size of the job which we have undertaken to carry through to victory :

"This is a war against efficiency, degree of efficiency such as the world has never before witnessed. Do not underestimate the strength of the enemy you are sending your men against. He is skilled in war, trained in arms. wonderfully well led and also brave and

Nor could there be better inspiration to effort in the second twelvemonth of war now beginning. Pessimism and doubt of the result are as absent from General Woop's remarks as are foolish braggadocio and insensate blinking of facts:

"The responsibility will be great, but we are equal to it. We must give all that we have, and every man, woman and child must do his or her part. It we can win the war."

To General Woop's reminder that the German people are not exhausted, that they are not on the point of defeat, that they are well fed, confident and well equipped, that they are brave and enduring and wonderfully well led, THE SUN appends this hope, ciers; to translate bill

Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and willing hands

Men whom the lust of office does not

Men whom the spoils of office cannot

Men who possess opinions and a will;

And dam his treacherous flatteries with-

out winking.

Tall men, sun crowned, who live ab the fog

In public duty and in private thinking. We have such men already for lead-

ties which General Wood sketched so we have some of them; good Heaven brotherhood of honorable peoples;

The War and Our Forest Resources.

timber land was burned over last his soul may live? year, entailing a loss of \$1,358,600.

into our present war activities. Millions of feet of lumber have been used The Mob and the Officers of the in building cantonments and millions more will be required before all the The lynching of Robert P. PRAGES demands for temporary or permanent in Collinsville, Ill., is attributed to military and naval structures have his alleged pro-German sentiments. been supplied. Wood is employed in he being accused of having uttered the manufacture of materials that disloyal words in a speech to miners enter into the composition of many at Maryville, Ill., a town whose essential war munitions. The war Mayor, a man of German birth, was value of a single fir log was recently recently compelled to kiss the flag to illustrated when portions of it were demonstrate his loyalty. Prages de marked off for use as ship planks, nied that he was a traitor. While ceiling and decking, as structural, the mob was searching for Prager he bridge, highway and railroad timber wrote a note proclaiming his unwav-

for airplane construction. the forests have been cut away to noose around his neck he protested supply the needs of the armies, torn that he was not a fee of the United by the shots and shells of battle and States. Notwithstanding this, he was wantonly destroyed by the German hanged, and the residents of Collinsinvaders. Lumber will be sought in ville gave no evidence of regretting have been effectively employed and this country for the rebuilding of their act on the morning after the towns, cities and farms, and seedlings tragedy.

of the devastated wooded areas.

lack of laborers has greatly reduced the number of lumbering camps and forced the consumption of the large stores of lumber already on hand.

The heavy loss in the national forests last year was due largely to carelessness. The Government spent almost \$1,125,000 for forest fire fightthere were 7.814 fires reported. A housand of these were incendiary; the remainder were caused by campers, railroads that failed to use proper spark arresters, and various other forms of carelessness on the part of settlers and visitors to the national domain.

Now Buy Liberty Bonds.

This, the third, Liberty Loan we now begin to raise, and in one month the bond issue must be subscribed. The Government asks for a minimum of three billions of dollars, and beget every cent of it. The Government the troubles that occur. will take all that is subscribed beyond amount.

Conversion or no conversion priviican people could not sit still and let own soldlers are marching into the to form. fighting lines.

The present moment is no time to talk or think of these Liberty bonds as an investment pure and simple, or as anything but a national need which must be satisfied and a public duty which must be performed by the nation.

With hundreds of thousands of our men at the front, with hundreds of thousands more pressing across the sea as fast as there may be ships to carry them, the one thing for those who are left behind to do now is to subscribe not only the three billions of dollars which the Government must have but more, and then still more They will never fail to do it.

The Value of a Mundred Billions.

Every one has learned to listen when the author of the income tax alks about large amounts of money. Representative HULL says:

"Despite the predictions of experts four years ago that it would be utterly is a war that is going to test all that is impossible for the most important comin us. But we can stand the test and mercial nations to finance a war of this magnitude for any but a very brief time, the great expenditures have piled up in excess of \$100,000,000,000-a cost to every man, woman and child on the globe of more than \$60."

Mr. HULL has yielded to the tempin the lines of Dr. Josian G. Hot- comprehensible to the every day LAND, for whose poetry we have no mind. He might have made the cost great admiration but whose senti- even more intimate by explaining ments we can scarcely improve for that the interest on a hundred billion dollars, if levied as a poll tax on each inhabitant of this planet, would be one cent per working day per person.

But perhaps it is just as well that he has left the whole debt at \$60 a head. It is an interesting amount of money. Sixty dollars is what a person pays for a suit or two, or a fairly good phonograph, or a month's rent, or four small tires, or a trip from New York to Carthage, Tenn., where Mr. Hull lives.

What a lot of money it is, to be sure! And all that the people of the Allied countries who are paying in their money-whether it be six cents or \$6,000,000 a head-will get out of it in the end will be freedom for themselves and their little neighbor nations, security from the unutterership and for the heavy responsibili- able menace of the scientific barbarians, a guarantee of liberty for impressively in so few words? Yes, coming generations, the magnificent the right to live, to love, to walk in sunshine where there is no shadow

of a sword. sity and that it will be in still greater is a juicy mouthful for the econodemand when peace comes gives more mist and a headache for schoolboys. than the usual significance to the re- But in the scale of values what does port just compiled by the Federal it weigh as against the life of one Forest Service that 962,000 acres of soldier who dies at the Somme that

Not as much as the straw hat that Wood products are entering largely Mr. HULL discarded last fall.

ering Americanism, and as he was In Belgium and northern France marched through the streets with a

must be furnished for the replanting | It appears, incidentally, that Praoza had been involved in a dispute nation of his own time and means. Until your House of Sin lies low!

een making in recent years an ac- union in the district, and the police tive campaign for the conservation believe this may have intensified feelf their forests. The result is that ing against him. Whatever the cause large tracts have been replanted un- of the murder, it illustrates the folly der the supervision of State Forest of municipal and State officers who Services and the damage by fires has ignore evidences of had feeling within been materially reduced. The war their jurisdictions and neglect the every illegal disturbance, regardless of its origin or the apparent triviality of its manifestations.

The most flagrant example of disor der promoted by official ineptitude or worse was in the East St. Louis riots of last year, which grew out of ill feeling between two factions of the ing and the prevention of fires; yet population, and culminated in wholesale shootings, incendiarism and accity, county and State authorities had full knowledge of the conditions that prevailed in East St. Louis, but they took no adequate measures to enforce the law. The consequence was that lation engaged in a day long struggle and the whole civic structure of the city was menaced. Such conditions cannot develop where the law is enforced as it should be, and its nonenforcement puts on the men who permit it to fall into contempt the which employer and employee, in a cause it needs it the Government will greater part of the responsibility for

A mob that is faced by a vigilant the required three billions, and no and determined Sheriff, or jall wardoubt there will be more than that den, or chief of police, who is known to be ready to shoot in defence of a prisoner committed to his charge, is lege, high or low interest, the Amer. not likely to persist in its effort at lynching. Time and time again brave asked to lecture here; it affects only the Treasury run dry of war funds at and conscientious peace officers have a time when the Prussian military quelled outbreaks of violence by facmachine is battering our British and ing rioters unflinchingly and making French Allies over the blood soaked clear their decision to do their whole hills and valleys of northern France, duty. And where officers of this charwhen Krupp shells are bursting in acter make the law respected in small the churches of Paris and when our things at all times mobs are unlikely

The problem of restraining mobs and preventing lynchings is not new. It existed before the war began. Its solution is not difficult. Backbone. honesty and intelligence in the pres ervation of the peace at all seasons and under all circumstances will pre-American people just as our youth vent most mobs from gathering. If shoulders the rifle because that work one does form the immediate applimust be done to serve and save the cation of force to its members will stop its activities and preserve unsmirched the reputation of the community in which they attempted to

The Lubrication of Industry.

It is evident that the officers of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey and the elected representatives of their employees had a good time the other night. "A good dinner lubricates business"; why should it not oil the intermeshing wheels of capital and labor as well? It may be that the stillman found the boss not half a bad fellow when looked at through the mingling smoke of a couple of good cigars. There is strong probability that the men higher up found themselves realizing, if they had not suspected it before, that the workers are not mere "economic units," but thoroughly human beings with appetites and impulses quite like their own.

The plan is an excellent one. A periodical conference between the responsible officials of a great induswithout interference or supervision. should be productive of good results. The dinner was an inspiration. Men, whether company officials or laborers in the ranks, are but boys of a larger growth, and the way to a boy's heart

ard's undertaking will depend in great | prise measure upon the spirit in which the two groups of representatives enter the conferences. On this first occasion there seems to have been nothing lacking in this regard. There must never be the slightest ground for suspicion in the minds of the men that the officials are trying to "put something over on them." There must be no room for reasonable doubt in the minds of the officials that the men are meeting them in good faith with

frankness and sincerity. The purpose of the plan is to secure cooperation. Cooperation is the act of working together for a common end. If both sides recognize that there is a common end for the attainment of But, God; we hate what you have done! which they are mutually responsible. and that in the quest of that end each side has rights which the other is bound, by considerations both of justice and morality and of self-interest, to respect, the outlook for more efficient cooperation will be bright.

Neither side can afford to enter the door of the conference-and banqueting-room with the conviction shall writhe within the web you've spun. that industry is a war between capi tal and labor. Neither side must cherish the belief that the oil refining industry rightly belongs either to those whose capital is invested in it or to those whose labor is indispensa-

Industry belongs to capital and to labor inseparably. Cooperation is the key to industrial success with profit to both capital and labor.

Patriotic Service. The plan devised by Mr. SAMUEL W. REYBURN for the organization of the employees of the great store of should compel the attention of every business man who wishes in all ways to contribute to the winning of the war. It is a plan for the better direction of thousands of willing Americans whose volunteer work may no who have lacked only coordination.

It is Mr. REYBURN's belief that the employer should not only give to the Many of the Eastern States have with certain members of the miners' but should in all things patriotically

couple his organization methods with the individual engerness of his employees to do something for America. It is a waste to tell two thousand persons to go out and urge the buying of bonds when only a thousand of them have the gift of salesmanship and the has had a tendency to save the North- fundamental duty of maintaining other thousand might be more usefully ern and Northwestern woods; for the good order by suppressing effectually engaged in helping the families of the store's employees who are with the colors. This is of course only a suggestion of the advantage that comes from organization. There are a hundred varied errands for the enthusiast, and they include everything which the hour demands as a sacrifice from those of us not in uniform. It may be the sale of a thrift stamp, the writing of a letter to a soldier. tual battles in the highways. The the solicitation of money for the Red Cross or the entertainment huts; but whatever the tack is, physical or intellectual or spiritual, it can best be done by the organization of large but not unwieldy groups of willing men the disorderly elements in the populand women and their intelligent assignment each to that work which he or she does best.

Mr. REVEURN's effort to bring about such concrete organization for patriotic service will be watched with interest. It may be the very thing for thousand towns, have been waiting.

Governor WHITMAN has approved the bill which requires teachers in the public schools to be citizens of the United States. It is a thoroughly good measure, based on a proper principle. By it no obstacle is laid in the way visiting educators who may be permanently employed instructors. In spite of this, it is improbable that many exchange professors will come in the next few years.

We expect the Kaiser presently to "Come on. HINDENBURG, this is no

The Irish convention has concluded its sessions with no casualty list made i

For Gon's sake let's fix it so we have to wear gas masks here in the United States.—George Creek. We had thought that the Adminisration was opposed to fergodsaking.

A Brooklyn thief caught stealing ; bottle of milk from a doorstep sought clemency on the ground that he was the son of a king. He was locked up, owever, the police evidently sharing the popular idea that this is a had season for kings.

\$3,000,000,000 spent by the United States in one year of the war.—Newspaper headline. And the only complaint made by the

taxpayers is that the amount is not The winter wheat crop promises un-

usually well. Its yield will exceed the Government estimates by a good many hundreds of thousands of bushels; but this will not move anybody to pray for another winter such as the one we have just passed through.

Hang out the flag and open the

OUR TELEPHONE WIZARDS.

Their Work in Trenches a Lesson for Government Ownership Advocates.

news from France that our telephone tation that besets many great finan- trial concern and representatives of experts have "put it all over" the Ger- white commercial shortcake phones in the trenches may be of interest advocates of Government ownership of telephones.

To them I beg to quote from President Hadley's "Economics": "Though half the railroads and nine-tenths of provements of method in these lines The continued success of the Stand- have been made under private enter-GEORGE HIRAM MANN.

The Cry of a Garden Slave.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: At this season of buds and bulbs, shrubs and other brush, the man has an additional hour home to be bossed by his MONTCLAIR, N. J., April 5.

America's Anniversary Hymn of Hate. We do not hate you, Hun! Though you have raised the eld bar-

And seared your lurid

Deep into the quivering flesh of earth, and bruised the sky With devil's music, still you stand Without our hate to clothe you, Hun!

We do not hate you, Hun We hate your work in fields laid waste

In coming years where walls of hell.

Your children, while the ages run Until the last accounts are cast,

that might makes right. Your thirst for power, at honor's Your plot to quench our civilization's

The "God's will" in Your hate for peace beneath the sun We hate-but do not hate you, Hun!

We do not hate you, Hun

Your God denying, God defying cow The very stars in heaven hate; You have poured full your cup of shame, and from your deeds Shall spring the harvest of your

Though murdered millions, one by one In heaven's high court without abate Cry out, we do not hate you, Hun!

We do not hate you, Hun-Save as we hate the Serpent that it Eden wrought The downfall of the parent pair; Your arts of desolation and destruc-

tion brought Not less of woe to free and fair And peaceful peoples, Hun-and so For justice' sake we shall not spare "AMERICANS, ANSWER."

ome of the Reasons for Buying Third Liberty Bonds.

From the Literary Digest for April 6. Americans: What does it mean

he Great War? rights and freedom of humanity? When ne said, "There may be many months of flery trial and sacrifice shead of us"when he said, "To such a task we can dedicate our lives and our fortunes. to you?

under his heel, bedevilled and plun dered. Rumania has been crushed and Huns are being hurled against the western fronts. The greatest battle of quest and world dominion is growing as it feeds itself with first one helples victim and then another. New plots are ready and new agents of devilis propaganda are being sent into France destroy them from within as Russia

have "dedicated their lives" and have den of payment could be lifted off the gone to meet their "flery trial and sac- shoulders of those of "limited means" rifice" on the battle line in France. Now the sternest summons of duty, the holiest call of patriotism comes to us for immediate answer. We must not, we cannot, evade it. What are we at home going to do this year, this month, to match the heroism and sacrifice of our boys in France? How are we. safe and snug at home, going to "dedicate our fortunes-everything that we have." to this supreme task, as we are called, now, to subscribe the third Lib-erty Loan? While we are looking eageasterly to us. They are expecting us to do our part with as complete devotion and sacrifice as they are doing

This loan must not fail; it must not e n drag. Quick, eager, oversubription is our only possible action. Buying a few Liberty bonds with money that can easily be spared will not now be enough. We must go deeper and

lend until it hufts. Now, with our own boys fighting in the trenches, we must support them to the utmost with our cash and our credit. What good will our money be to us if we allow them to lose?

The best time to protect our free land and our homes is now, while we can. The best time to support our own armies ammunition, and reenforcements is now, when they will mean victory.

President Wilson spoke straight to each one of us when he said, "The supreme test of the nation has come Subscription, to the point of sacrifice, duty, a dictate of patriotism, which no one can now expect ever to be excused or forgiven for ignoring.

SHORTCAKE.

Calm Survey by One Who Know Both Varieties.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The delictous strawberry will soon be plentiful in our markets. No other country in the world consumes in proportion as many berries as we do. Strawberries season. Shortcake is almost on every oill of fare. Thousands of portions of that cake are served and eaten in our nomes, hotels and restaurants.

Strawberry shortcake, as we know it in New York, has one or two lavers of cake and berries held together by whipped and sweetened cream. Ever To the Editor of the Sun-Sir: The spring a campaign of siander is waged

That's not the American shortcake. tion of a strawberry Charlotte Russe. "A plaster poultice," remarks another. "Oh for a slice of the cake mother

used to make." "The idea of having to eat this im-"The idea of having to eat this im-postor of a cake, when the genuine cake merce Bureau. 734 Custom House, this Government hands, all the large im- is cheaper, simpler and easier to pre- city. "These foreign cooks, hang bum concections we have to diet for weeks at a time to recuperate from the

be possible for the much criticised more, who else is to blame for this sad (but mostly imaginary) state of affairs if not the people themselves who insist

in eating it? conversation 1 once overheard. Two bushels, an increase of 2.748,773 bushels chefs were discussing the merits of a other fruits that a certain people in which is as popular with them as the Thanksgiving turkey is with us. Chickens and other barnyard birds are

also stuffed the same way. dressed with aweetmeats," said one. answered the other, who had worked for years in that country. "You should when millions of people eat one thing and enjoy it, it must be good."

The same can be said of our cake. As long as millions of Americans eat it, and it is getting increasingly popular, we should continue to make it. Let the knockers do their worst. The New holstering paper, glue and gelating, Englanders say that we wouldn't know a shortcake if we saw it; what we take for a shortcake is a rank imitation.

The genuine article, according to these well meaning people, is composed of and ballast forks are asked to communi- gates elected under the convention sys- have taken them in the past elightly crushed fresh and perfumed strawberries sandwiched between a split reshly made and buttered home made biscuit; plain or unwhipped cream optional. That looks very easy, doesn't it? But here is the rub. Scores of amateur cooks will give a different insisting that hers or his is the only genuine; all others are abominations. I cannot understand why we Americans are trying to repudiate one of our confectionery masterpieces. genuine nor the fake shortcake is popular in Europe. The people over there eat their strawberries plain or with little sugar, brandy or wine. Consequently the much abused cake is one of our creations and as such we should

By changing the name of the nex cake, if only to differentiate from the old one, the wranglings of the various factions would perhaps be at an end. That could easily be done, I am sure. DESIRE LESCARBOURA. NEW YORK, April 4TEST GAS MASKS HERE.

Let the Allen Enemy Stake His Life on Their Perfection.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: A -this anniversary of our entering land lover so longs for, the chance for him to die for Kaiserland. In view o President's call to the nation to fight so as to render them unsafe for our sol diers, let no mask henceforth be cepted by the Government until it has first been worn by an enemy allen in a sas chamber filled with the best, worst, vaterland suffocater.

If the mask is what it should be. everything we are and everything we well and good, no harm will come either to the tester or to the soldier who mus Stern, terrible facts are driving us to tegrity. If the mask is defective, well, action. The fury and cruel cunning of so much the better; there'll be one Hun the enemy are unquenched. Russia is less and he will have gone straight to - to join his many com adea sent there in advance by the Allies. FRANK A. EGAN.

NEW ROCHBLER, April 5.

THE SPENDERS.

At Least They Keep the Nation's Money From Becoming Stagmant.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The system of taxation proposed by "C. T. the charm of novelty. It would indeed be delightful to some of us if the burand placed squarely and entirely on the spendthrifts and the malefactors of great wealth.

Of course it wouldn't be democratic, but it would be highly enjoyable for those who are anxious to avoid the payment of any taxes whatever.

But where does "C. T. C." get a year out of an income of \$20,000 being a "g. o ! citisen." and he who spends the whole \$20,000 being "lacking"; Surely this is the wildest kind

Does not a heap depend on what the "good citisen" does with the \$12,000 year which he withdraws from circulation? If he simply heards it, as one may fairly imply from "C. T. C.'s" letter, he can certainly not rely on Holy Writ for approval of his niggardliness,

lacking if he spend the whole of his \$20,000, "taking no heed for the mor-Even in this day of almost universal profiteering there is many a citiplus income to the betterment of the human race, spending it freely to give employment to others and so helping to keep the world moving. And if it be of the gratification of his own luxurious tastes by his lavish expenditures, is he

ot also doing good to others?
Yes, "C. T. C.," economy is praiseworthy if it be practised for altruistic aims. Is it also a virtue when selfishness dictates it?

There is such a thing as laying u treasure by the simple method of squandering. Is the hoarding of money parable with the liberal use of it? What is an income of \$20,000 a year good for if 60 per cent, of it is to be put away?

DAVID A. CURTIS. NEW YORK, April 5.

"Do Not Be Vexed, but Marvel!" To THE EDITOR OF THE BUN-Sir: That marvellous, incomprehensible thing, German psychology, may be summed up in their signs. "Nichtärgern, nur wun-dern!" which they have erected over the devastated regions of northern France, the most thoroughly scientific and methodical destruction that Ger-

manity (not humanity) can possibly de-GLEN RIDGE, N. J., April 5.

TRADE BRIEFS.

Preparatory to an after war trade, an mies of England. This law can be con-

Vice-Consul Richard P. Momaen reports primaries into discredit. them, bellows a dyspeptic, 'are the that the Brazilian Government has re-cause of all our troubles. They are cently decreed that crop production in that ernor Hughes's administration to enact ignation for a judicial office cause of all our troubles. They are cently decreed that crop production in that cause of all our troubles. They are cently decreed that crop production in that just good to spoil all of our national country shall be encouraged by offering a genuine direct primary law in the country shall be encouraged by offering a genuine direct primary law in the country shall be encouraged by offering a genuine direct primary law in the direct primaries such a delivery of furniture or bric-a-brac that how converging we have to diet for and fertilizers will be distributed and ag-ricultural implements will be loaned by the Government. The cost of transporting Now, leaving prejudice apart and as-suming that first class goods only enter into its composition, how can it places will be established to encourage direct trade between producers and consumers. All possible aid will be given to ag-ricultural cooperative societies, and pre-miums given to individuals whose production of farm products is the largest and

Estimates piace the wheat crop total over the production of the previous year.
Out production was slightly smaller than the defeat of a p in 1916-17, amounting this year to 5,368. 000 bushels.

There is an opportunity to but a dealer has stated that he can suplso stuffed the same way.

"What a stupid idea to have fowl product, which resembles carnaube wax, may be inspected by reference to File No.

"Not so foolish as you think,"

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"Not so foolish as you think,"

"Not so foolish as you think," York, and other district offices of the defeat and a Democratic State admin-Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Com- istration. Joseph D. Smith. the abuse of the direct profits merce.

Agencies for building materials and stationery are desired by an English concern Bolts, nuts, shovels and sugar machinery re needed in Mauritius.

There is a market in France for furni-ture, automobils wheels, toys, glass, por-celain goods, bottles, opiical goods, up-

cate with a company in South Africa. Wall paper is needed in England.

Victoria, Australia, offers an excellent market for American ateel, as 140 new grain storage siles are to be built sieng the railways of the State. An appropriation of over \$4,000,000 has been authorized fifteen vessels are to be used to bring our plus grain to this country, and steel for the siles could be sent back in these ships. thus solving the problem of freight space.

items about Camilius affairs this week; the somebody please come to the rescue and do something, then write about it?

From the Zenda Citizen Some balt and a pole and a nice shady A pipe and some smokin' and fish; A nice summer day, not too hot, not teo

UNREST IN GERMANY AS IT IS ESTI-MATED IN THE SWISS PRESS.

The Most Unerring Sign of the Weakness of Germany To-day-German People Realize Their Need of Moral and Economic Units.

The Swiss articles on the war, es- | scored a success on the western from ecially those written in German, are When Russia collapsed the German secially those written in German, are people were promised peace before worth reading carefully both for what Easter. As it has not come the in hey print and for what they leave tensity of the reaction is incalculable out. To the critic the fact that they and it would be impossible to exagge ource of information. It is possible swept over the country. The wave of for any one who has a fluent knowlunrest is difficult to appreciate with dge of the language to read between out an intimate knowledge of German the lines an extraordinary longing for It does not mean that Germans has leaders, or that they wish to change that many feelings that are crushed and silent in the fatherland find their the form of government, or that chan voice in this way. It is therefore will disorganize the different German something of a mistake on the part States. No German expects the defea of many English speaking people to of the army, but on the other hand suppose that these German Swiss the nation has entirely lost faith i papers are not worth reading, being the promise of victory. nerely an echo of the regular Teuton in sight that can solve the politica press. The Swiss, whether he speaks problems, because it would not bring with it the esteem of the world. ducation, is above all a Swiss. The

German authorities are quick to a most salient thing in the Swiss charsued a book to combat them. This is the Americans who have not lived much work of the War Office and is write in Switzerland are inclined to slur over this aspect of Swiss life. This attitude ten by its deputy, Lieutenant-General Baron von Freytag-Loringhoven may account for the little attention. writers have declared is the weaken generally speaking, that the German Swiss papers receive in this country. weapon in the German armory Ge pence proposals and propaganda that their moral position, and this dissatisare at times distinctly informing. They faction is the basis of an unrest the how us the unrest in Germany among may put an end to the war. the people who at present have scarce-ly anything to say, but who may at no remarkable that Baron von Freytag Loringhoven does not treat this "apit stant time say a great deal. This itual transformation," as he calls unrest among Germans is the most with the strong and even contempt unerring sign of the real weakness of ous opposition that might be expected Germany to-day. The gist of the mat-ter is that these Germans are keenly professes to sympathize with it and ware of the moral weakness of their one purpose of his book is to harmonia country, and they privately admit that nize war and peace doctrines, or tar moral value is now one of the greatstrains of apparently contradictor impulses to action There are other reasons why the

The "spiritual" theory has begun to iwiss press is particularly instructive supply a basis in politics for advocat ing a national morality which sur up the most important ethical quaegotiations Germany has paid great ties in a doctrine of sheer Germany is trying to make herself the is now trying to whitewash her blackmilitary writers and philosophers that they need to recover much lost ground from the moral point of view. people, leaves the way open for prepa rations for the next war and influence causing more unrest in Germany than neutral opinion. It is often remarkthat this peace propaganda is intendby correspondents of the press-the While this is no doubt true, the neutr stringencies, the food shortage and all think that its real object is to set the German mind. Apparently unrethe emphasis laid upon the domestic in Germany contains conditions of Germany correspondents ments that are more dangerous battle. If the transformation of t Peutonic code of ethics leads to The truth is that the German high higher appreciation of moral value the Allies ought to have a speedy to ommand has experienced a serious lefeat at the moment when it has umph.

DIRECT PRIMARIES. is the New York System Entitled to the elections during the history of the Name!

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Yet they contain articles on Germany

st factors of success in the war.

when read with the papers of other

neutral countries. Since the Russian

attention to neutral opinion, and she

ened reputation. Her people realize

The consciousness of this fact is now

all the other arguments usually made

loss of foreign trade, the piled up debt,

the financial dangers and economic

the strain of a war weary nation. In

ometimes seem to lose sight of the

revolutionary force of the present

orkings of the German mind.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: 1 ave read with interest the Hon. Job E. not. The closer our nominations g Hedges's letter attacking direct primaries to the people, the better our diovernment as a menace to American institutions. I agree to what Mr. Hedges has to say it be. primary law in New York State, but Mr. organization leaders are about Hedges overlooks the fact that we have and expense of the so-called independent no genuine direct primary law in this candidate, the one not designated ? State, nor does it bear any resemblance the organization, that is, by the bost to direct primaries. It should properly One would think that they have great e tabelled the bi-campaign law, as a sympathy for him and that they candidate for public office has really to really troubled about his future welfar make two political campaigns, one in the and his bank account. primary and one in the general election.

The party boss or the "modest unas- in the principles of the direct prima suming individual," to whom Mr. Hedges and are act has been passed by the English Gov-ernment prohibiting the production of non-ferrous metals without license from the that there would be absolutely no danger use of it and will come out and Board of Trade. Six conditions define the to his interests when the recent laws the primaries, and vote indep Board of Trade. Six conditions define the restrictions placed upon persons and firms were framed. Those who believe in dispersions with the present one rect primaries have had a feeling for is it for the candidates to go among the some time that what direct primary leg- people whom they seek to represent A's islation has been enacted has been with a view to bringing the principle of direct | the men who are

be | Hinman-Green bill, which retained all of furniture or bric-a-brac that and included many necessary practical changes, but the Republican organiza- political boss! I say, no! tion worked hand in hand with the Democratic organization trying to de- meet the people. Let the judicio

expresses his disapproval of the present on for so long. Let the people measure, which should not be classed themselves what kind of a more in any sense as a direct primary law. He can consider himself personally re- decide for themselves spensible for any of its obnoxious fea- ballot on primary day for the tures. It was the opposition of men of would like to represent the his type, men who generally stand for the nomination better political conditions, which caused the defeat of a practical, workable di- ernment? It is the closest w

The present law has never been satis- but let us protect them from t purchase factory to those sincerely in favor of of the past. Let us make direct nominations, but the Republican so that not one vote can organization has not had the courage that the will of the people and to amend the law, fearing to reopen the and not the cunning and tracker entire direct primary matter, which scoundrels who betray their might lead to rupture in the party or- debauching the ballo:

Hedges in regard to his stand on the direct primaries, as disclosed in his let- how are they a detricted ter in THE SUN. The convention sys- ganization" metal buttons are in demand in South primary substituted in its place and political arena we will have stead because of the absolute control of dependence in voting 1 do nominations by the bosses. The dela- that they will take orders as tem were simply automatons of the not vote in the primaries acposses. In most of the conventions they marked card, handed to the held they merely sat in their seats and tion district captain. They will voted for the man whose name was own thinking and likewise their passed around at the last minute by the ing, and thereby become a gr boss working through his nominating good governme committee How often have men sat as delegates

in a convention asking each other who's the candidate? All waited for the word before they would open their mouths. The convention system practically killed the protest of "L. C.," regard independence, and the most disgusted pression "May I not." might were the men who sat as delegates. The some others now used convention system put every man on such as "Quite so" and "Would record and made every man who didn't as well as "camouflage." The new direct primary system under the meaning of the last could be

the secret voting is a breeder of inde- pressed in English with not pendence and really places the power of force and understanding nominations where it rightfully belongs, in the hands of the people. Why should the American people give up this great right and delegate it to others who have abused it for years?

party nominations? They have been lecting their officials for public office Government, Can anybody say that the have failed; that we have not made a success of government? I should so

It is amusing how much conserved t

When the people are really compate fully aware of the great ru not the people entitled to see and Surely there can be no honest e of this. Is a man who receive the direct primaries so h a delt a

because he has been relected Let the judicial candidates ge didates get down to earth and I am tot surprised that Mr. Hedges of the high pedestal that they have ing their votes, and then is

> Is this truly not representato it. Let the direct promotes

The direct primaries are the political leaders that makepear that the independent cand nomination is against the ora-To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: 1 tion, which is not so. The nust take issue with the Hon. Job E. maries are only for the purpose ing the party nominee to

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Are not the people duly qualified to buy any spring ciethes is a go a man's quitting tobacco select their own representatives for mean all right.